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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7633

BILL NUMBER: HB 1202

DATE PREPARED: Jan 2, 2001

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Medicare Supplement Insurance.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

Summary of Legislation: The bill prohibits an insurer that issues Medicare supplement policies in Indiana from denying coverage to an applicant who: (1) is less than 65 years of age; (2) becomes eligible for Medicare because of disability; and (3) applies for coverage not more than six months after enrolling for benefits under Medicare Part B. The bill also prohibits the insurer from conditioning the issuance of a Medicare supplement policy to such an applicant, or from conditioning the effectiveness of the policy if issued to such an applicant, on the basis of health status, claims experience, utilization of health care services, or medical condition.

The bill requires the insurer to make each Medicare supplement policy plan that the insurer issues in Indiana available to such an applicant. It also prohibits the insurer from charging that applicant a premium rate that exceeds the premium rate the insurer charges to another applicant who is at least 65 years of age.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: